

Dear FCC, In regards to the matter of the NAB petition seeking the stop to XM Instant Traffic & Weather -

I am asking you to reject the NAB's petition 04-160 and allow XM to provide me with the programming that I so very much enjoy.

While this service is not yet available in my immediate area, I am happily awaiting my opportunity to have traffic and weather reports at my instant command, available at any point and time. I currently can listen to a local community, and have used this service.

This is an amazingly valuable service. It allows me to avoid congested traffic, obviously a money saver for EVERYONE involved. It notifies me on urgent weather conditions, which I'm sure you will agree is a public service that will contribute to the safety of citizens at some point, and is a wonderful service to have.

Why can I not have this? Traffic is limited at best on standard radio. Weather is pretty much unavailable. I PAY for these services, in my contract with XM. I am amazed to hear someone tell me I cannot have value added services provided to me, without a substantial reason. There is no reason except radio wants to limit the services that XM provides, unless I am unaware of something else that would cause this service to be a problem.

I have always appreciated and respected the enormous job that the FCC has, and hope that you will respect the citizens that are eager to have a new technology that, in some little way, makes our lives a little easier.

Thank you for your time.

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